

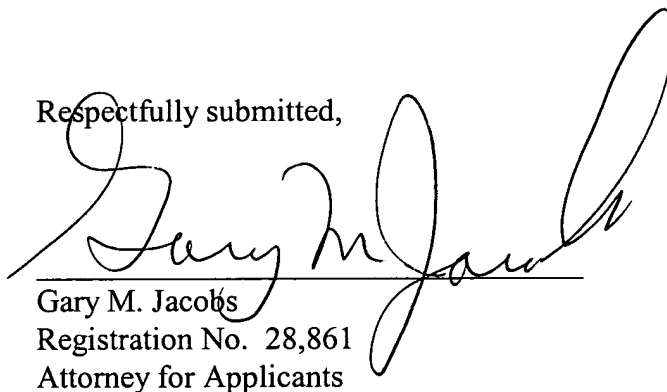
### REMARKS

Claims 1-31 are presented in this application. Claims 1, 11, 18 and 25 are independent. Claims 4, 5, 7, 9, 12, 13, 14, 16, 19, 20, 21, 23, 26-28 and 30 have been amended herein to change their dependencies and/or correct minor informalities therein. No new matter has been added.

Favorable consideration, entry of the foregoing amendments, and early passage to issue of the application are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gary M. Jacobs", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

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